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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.: 09/662,224

Group No.: 3737

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Examiner: William C. Jung

For: Assessing the Condition of a Joint and Devising Treatment

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.
Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for three months:

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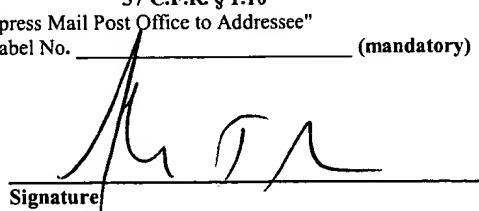
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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE			SMALL ENTITY	
TOTAL	217	– 199	= 18	x \$ 25.00	=	\$ 450.00	
INDEP.	21	– 16	= 5	x \$ 100.00	=	\$ 500.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	=	\$ 0.00	
					TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$ 950.00	

Total additional fee for claims required \$950.00

FEE PAYMENT

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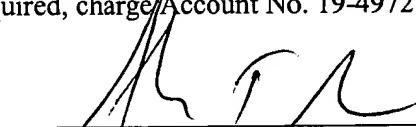
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FEE DEFICIENCY

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